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Ms. Haley N. Broom
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Re: Gary Brice McBay v. Harrison County, MS, et al

United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi

Cause No. 1:07-cv-01205-LG-RHW

John Aaron Vanderburg v. Harrison County, MS, et al; United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Southern Division Cause No. 1:08-cv-90-LG-RHW

Marguerite Carrubba v. Harrison County, MS, et al, United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Southern Division Cause No. 1:07-cv-1238-LG-RHW

William David Seal v. Harrison County, MS, et al; United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Southern Division, Cause No. 1:08-cv-00175-LG-RHW

Dear Haley & Joe:

I am in receipt of deposition dates for Ken Katsarsis and Megan Ciota, as well as their respective fee schedules. Please consider this my good faith attempt to resolve certain issues.

First, as you know, the discovery deadline in these cases is October 1, 2009 and the dispositive motion deadline is October 22, 2009. The proposed deposition dates are all after these deadlines. This is not acceptable.

Second, I believe your experts need to travel here, at their own expense, for these depositions.



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The litigation is here. You decided to select out of state experts and I do not believe I am responsible to travel out of state.

Third, Mr. Katsarsis fee is unreasonable. He wants to charge a minimum fee of \$2,000 for a five (5) hour minimum, then \$400 per hour over five (5) hours. Dr. Ciota's charge for a deposition is \$600 per hour. Both are excessive. I need a reasonable hourly fee, and should have to pay only for the time I spend.

Pursuant to Rule 26(b)(4)(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, I believe I am required only to pay a reasonable fee for their deposition time. I do not believe I am required to pay travel time, travel expenses or preparation time.

I would request you provide me deposition dates prior to the discovery deadline, and provide me with a reasonable cost for both depositions.

Sincerely,

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